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## 'One card' for the future all purpose

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**STAFF REPORTER**

The One Card, don't leave your dorm without it. This new ID system that has been instituted on campus this year, is your all purpose card that includes your ID, meal plan and many other features designed to make your college life so much simpler.

But, as is the case with any new system, there are questions. The One Card system is supposed to combine many processes into one, but what exactly is being simplified. For answers I went to Bob Wilson from the IT department.

The One Card system was first considered over seven years ago at a conference, but the actual preparation to institute the system only began last year. The final overall cost for the one card, including upgrades, wiring, and software totaled to approximately \$400,000. This cost was covered by the company, running out of Boston, that finances the dorm buildings.

But back to the main question: What does the One Card do? The One Card currently serves as an all purpose student ID that allows you access to the campus resources. The card grants you access to the Library, the



One card's all purpose identification card

Courtesy Photo

Rec Center, and the school network. The card also gives you access to your meal plan in the cafeteria, and depending on your meal plan, a certain amount of Falcon Dollars usable at the Commuter Café.

Students in Herlihy hall, and the other buildings in the future, use their cards for building and room keys. But this is not the end. In the coming semesters the IT department plans to add more functions to the card such as the ability to use the card as a debit card.

You will be able to put money onto your card, via the internet, which will be used at the book store, vending machines and in the laundry rooms. The IT department is also trying to get local business to accept the card eventually.

Now there have been problems with the card. As with any new system there a few hitches in breaking in the one card on

campus. Many students in Herlihy had to have their cards recoded to work properly with their building's locks.

There is also the problem of people losing or accidentally destroying their cards by bending folding or, in the case of one of my friends, putting it through the laundry. If this happens to you don't worry, just go down to the IT department in the Industrial Arts building and they will issue you a replacement.

The one card is not only for the students though. The faculty and staff all have their own cards that give them separate privileges on campus. I was also informed that issuing temporary cards to guests on campus will eventually happen.

The Rec Center will also have cards for members of the Fitchburg community who use the center. The basic goal of the system is to have each for the individual.

In closing Bob Wilson encourages everyone to get their one card if they haven't already. Over 3,000 cards have been issued and the majority of the campus has the card. It seems safe to say the system is in place and running smoothly. Just one more way to make your life easier at FSC.

## Fitchburg State receives major NSF Grant

### EPA PRESS OFFICE

**Fitchburg, Mass.**—Fitchburg State College has been awarded a \$663,000 grant from the National Science Foundation that will allow undergraduate students in biology and computer science to work with faculty members on a study to determine how fireflies use patterns of lantern flashes to influence potential mates and predators.

As part of "Exploring The Ecology of Flash Communication in Photinus Fireflies Through Collaborative Undergraduate Research With Computer-Simulated Signaling Behavior," as the grant is officially titled, biology students and faculty will design the experiments, while students and faculty in the Computer Science Department will build and program instrumentation to carry out the experiments.

This collaboration will produce new solutions to some of the traditional problems of studying animal communication, and the results of these experiments will shed light on the unique communication system of fireflies.

The "virtual firefly instruments"—VFIs—will be capable of observing and analyzing a sequence of flashes from a firefly in real-

time and producing a sequence of simulated firefly flashes in response. These instruments will be used to test how male and female fireflies engage in flash courtship behavior, how they use flashes to identify different species of fireflies, and how potential predators such as bats respond to these bioluminescent flashes.

"Our scientific goal is to develop the VFIs and explore the principles that underlie communication between fireflies and other organisms," explained Biology Professor Christopher K. Cratsley, who will direct the grant along with colleagues Howard H. Thomas, also of the Biology Department, and Kevin B. — more— Fitchburg State 2

Austin of the Computer Science Department. "The educational goals of the effort are to give our students exposure to the process of scientific inquiry and develop a model for interdisciplinary collaboration between biologists and computer scientists. We also want to provide research training to biology students and product development experience for computer science students."

The project leaders also anticipate that students will

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# SGA Member of the Month

**COLLEEN MONTGOMERY**  
**STAFF REPORTER**



Colleen Ward, voted SGA member of the month

Photo by Amanda Parke

Colleen Ward came to Fitchburg State College last fall from Felmington, New Jersey. She transferred to FSC From Baritan Valley CC. And is now a junior sociology major.

During her first year at FSC Colleen was the Russell Towers Residence Hall

Representative on the Student Government Association Council. As the Hall Rep, Colleen met with the building director to discuss any problems, or concerns that faced those that lived in Russell Towers.

Last Spring Colleen was elected as the Secretary of the Class of 2005. She is now serving her classmates proudly.

Already this year Colleen has taken on several activities. She was the overseeing force for the Fall 2003 election, in which there was a wonderful turn out.

The SGA thanks Colleen for her hard work and dedication, and salute her as the SGA Council Member for the month of October.



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## What is going on at FSC in October?

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|---|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Thursday, October 8, 2003</b>  | Crush - 9 pm, Mocktails in the Underground Pub          | * Kids Day (North Street Fun Day) 1-4 pm                                      | <b>Saturday, October 25, 2003</b>                   | * Hammond Gallery Opening 7:30 pm, Talk - 6:30 pm                        |
| * Phi Sig Rock-a-thon, 12 pm (24 hours)   | <b>Thursday, October 16, 2003</b>                       | <b>Monday, October 20, 2003</b>   | <b>Sunday, October 26, 2003</b>                     | <b>Thursday, October 30, 2003</b>  |
| * Leadership Film - "To Kill a Mockingbird" 3:30 pm in Ellis White Lecture Hall | * History of Rock and Roll, 80's - M&M Lounge, 8 pm     | * WXPL Concert Series, Underground Pub, 7 pm                                  | * IFSC Halloween party, the Underground Pub, 1-3 pm | * Halloween Monster Bash, in the Underground Pub, 9 pm BAR ID's required |
| * Taste of Fitchburg 11am-1 pm  | <b>Friday, October 17, 2003</b>                         | <b>Wednesday, October 22, 2003</b>  | <b>Monday, October 27, 2003</b>                     | <b>Friday, October 31, 2003</b>  |
| <b>Friday, October 9, 2003</b>  | * Campus Living - Charlie's Angels II, "Full Throatel"  | * Blood Drive, M&M 10 - 4 pm  | * Hammond Hoe-down, 5 pm                            | * LASSO - Light Night in the Underground Pub 11 pm- 2 am                 |
| * Phi Sig Rock-a-thon until 12 pm   | <b>Saturday, October 18, 2003</b>                       | * Dr. Q - Globby  | * 2 Fast 2 Furious, in the Underground Pub, 7 pm    |  |
| <b>October 13 - 17, 2003</b>  | * FSC Open House  | <b>Thursday, October 23, 2003</b>   | <b>Tuesday, October 28, 2003</b>                    |  |
| * 80's week   | <b>Sunday, October 19, 2003</b>                         | * Blood Drive, M&M 10 - 4 pm  | * Psychology Club Movie, in the Underground, 7 pm   |  |
| <b>Wednesday, October 15, 2003</b>  | * Campus Living - Charlie's Angels II, Ellis White, 8 p | * Classic Film, "Psycho/ Strangers on a Train" Ellis White Lecture Hall, 7 pm | <b>Wednesday, October 29, 2003</b>                  |  |
| * Erik Nieves 8 pm, Orange  |   |   |   |  |

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Announcements should be short, including dates, places, times, and a contact person.

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## Style with Holly Johnson

### Vintage Shopping



leather, and then jack up the price a million times more than they paid for it.

The key is to get to the 'thrift shops' early. (Mondays- people tend to donate more things on weekends)

Scout out shops in areas with a high population of elderly people. It may sound strange but elderly people usually donate a lot of clothing from their children or themselves.

If you are going on vacation anywhere even if it is to a town a few minutes away, check out the town's thrift shops. You never know what you may find. I was in Scotland this summer I found a Burberry scarf for 10? (that is around 20.00)

Try everything on! Always remember things can be hemmed.

If it is seriously broken, don't try to fix it. - if it is something simple that you know you can be fixed knock yourself out.

Avoid mysterious odors and stains. This is key especially with wool and cashmere sweaters. Often times the smell will not come out, even with dry cleaning. Stains can be deceiving. You do not know how long the stain has been there. It could have been thirty years!

Ask yourself , does this hot pink Christian Dior mini skirt match my wardrobe. If the answer is no forget it.

Look for handbags. You won't find a Kate Spade but you could find a beautiful Etienne Aigner.( very classy ) I have one I got from my grandmother.

Scarf it up! Look for solid color scarves that could add something to a simple outfit you already own. Some thrift stores have 1-dollar scarf baskets!

And as always say : Look for Basics. Makes sure the blacks are not faded and the whites are not yellow.

I challenge everyone to try shopping at a thrift store. Make sure to wash the items after buying or have them dry cleaned. Moreover, wear them proudly. No one else will have the same clothes as you. It is important to be original right?

I suggest Salvation Army, or Good will. There is one vintage store in Worcester, MA that I recommend called Treasures Unlimited. It is a wonderful little store with many designer things from shirts to house wares and not to expensively priced.

If you need help email me at holliciv@yahoo.com. I will even come shopping with you!

## How To: Deal with a Difficult Roommate

**STEPHANIE ST.JEAN**  
**STAFF REPORTER**

Many people I have talked to have gripes against their roommates. I've heard gripes such as messy roommates, roommates who don't respect privacy, or who are rude, and roommates who just aren't compatible.

Now if your roommate is completely unbearable and you are ready to rip each other's heads off, get out of that living situation. Talk to your R.A. about having a change of rooms.

If the problems seem fixable then talk with your roommate either one on one or with your R.A. and try to figure out a way where you can live with that person. Make compromises and stick to them.

Here are a few ways to make getting along with your roommate easier. You need to express with your

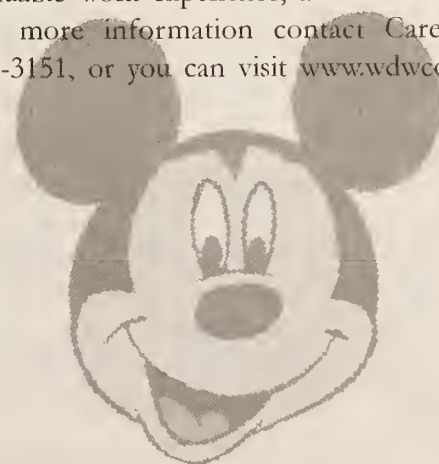
roommate what you do and don't mind them using such as your T.V., refrigerator, computer, and the like. Also you need to express how you feel about overnight guests. Don't wait until the last minute to tell your roommate you don't want them having a guest over, or to have one over yourself.

The key is to establish a comfortable living situation with your roommate. You don't have to be best friends, but you have to be able to live comfortably with them. Like I said, if you can't you need to get out and find someone you can live with. There is no use in being unhappy all year long.

If you have ideas you'd like for this column, or have questions you would like answered then email The Point at [point@fsc.edu](mailto:point@fsc.edu)

## Walt Disney World Program visits FSC!

Want more warm weather? Why not take a semester internship in sunny Florida? The Walt Disney World College Program presentation will be here on Tuesday, October 28th at 5pm. In Ellis White Lecture Hall. Earn college credit, gain valuable work experience, and leave the snow behind! For more information contact Career Services at 978-665-3151, or you can visit [www.wdwcoplegeprogram.com](http://www.wdwcoplegeprogram.com).



## National Science Foundation

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gain experience in disseminating scientific findings through publications and conference attendance, enhance their critical thinking skills regarding the design and implementation of scientific experiments, and be prepared to pursue advanced

study careers in scientific research.

Commenting on the 3-year grant, which will begin this semester, Fitchburg State President Robert V. Antonucci, noted, "As important as the scientific aspects may be, this grant also illus-

trates one of the hallmarks of a Fitchburg State education—that undergraduate as well as graduate students work closely with senior faculty on meaningful research projects. That doesn't happen at most colleges."



# Aubi Alarms getting way out of control

**DANIEL DESMOND**  
**STAFF REPORTER**

I wake up and look at my clock, it's 3:30 am. Right away I know it's not my alarm clock going off. My roommate Adam is already out of bed and dressed, but I put my head back down because I know it's another drill.

A minute later after I'm done cursing I get myself up, throw on sweatshirt and my sandals and head down the stairs to the street. There on the sidewalk I stand, talking to my roommates trying to make the best from the worst. About 45 minutes later the head RA yells something and we trudge our way back up the stairs and I go to sleep.

That is what an average fire alarm is like at Aubuchon Hall. The fire alarm's there have become so frequent people bet on their occurrences. Roommates on the 7th floor of the building have a \$5 bet on the likelihood of the alarm going off in the next two nights.

"We haven't had a fire alarm in three days, says Erik Roaf, so it's a good bet we'll be getting one either tonight or tomorrow." Even though it may sound funny, it's no laughing matter.

Nick Grout, a resident of the 7th floor had this to say. "If these fire drills keep coming, I'm going to pitch a tent under my bed and go camping during the next drill so the RA's don't find me." When asked if this was really necessary he responded by saying, "Hell ya!"

When asked what he would ever do if he ever caught someone who pulled the alarm and woke him up at



These alarms shoot out invisible ink when pulled, however that doesn't stop the students from still pulling them

Courtesy Photo

three in the morning he responded with, "What I'd do, I don't know what I'd do, but it wouldn't be pretty." Nick's comments on sleeping under his bed sound familiar to the old story about the boy who cried wolf. The boy who cried wolf would be played by the fire alarm. While Nick would portray the town folk that do not respond when the lying boy yells wolf for real.

"So far this semester at Aubuchon Hall, there have been at least 8 fire alarms, and they all stunk," said Natalie, an RA from the 5th floor.

When a fire alarm is triggered by either smoke or tampering- its set of a chain of events that takes at least 30 minutes to correct. The loud alarm goes off waking up all residents, instructing them to leave the building. Also a signal from the alarm is sent to the fire department.

Once the fire department shows up and everyone is outside the fire fighters go inside the building to the location that the alarm went off. Once they determine that the alarm is just a false alarm they must reset the system. After the system is restarted and the fire fighters

think everything is safe they clear the building for the RA's.

Now it is the RA's job to go in every room, on every floor, to make sure every resident is out of the building. The checking if the rooms are what takes the majority of the time. "They do this because they don't want anyone sleeping through the fire alarm or skipping it all together. The best advice I would give any resident is to leave your door open so the RA's can check your room quickly," says Natalie.

Senior student Adam Schleyer has 8:00 am classes everyday. A fire alarm left him outside for an hour and a half which made one of his days almost unbearable. "I could barely stay awake during class," Schleyer commented. This brings up an important question, could these alarms be getting in the way of the educational process? Also, when is enough, enough?

Poor Nick Grout might actually be sleeping under his bed one night when a fire actually does break out, and where would this leave him? Are a few charred bodies going to be what it would take to spark reform?

## Mystery Writer Jane Langton to present talk at Fitchburg State College

**EPA PRESS OFFICE**

**Fitchburg, Mass.** - Prolific mystery writer Jane Langton will present a free public talk on her newest Homer Kelly book *The Deserter: Murder at Gettysburg* at Fitchburg State College on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in Kent Recital Hall of the Conlon Building.

A pre-talk reception with the author is scheduled for 6:15 p.m. in Miller Oval Room. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Call the Weston Box Office at (978) 665-3347 Monday through Friday 12:30-3:30 p.m. or (978) 665-3709 for more information.

The lecture is funded by the Fitchburg State College Foundation, with support from the Roberta Fitzmaurice Connors '63 Scholarship Fund. Sign language interpreters will be available.

Langton, the recipient of the 2000 Bouchercon Lifetime Achievement Award, is known for her mysteries featuring Homer and Mary Kelly. Langton's talk will include over 50 photographs from her research in

Gettysburg, and will focus on the process of writing historically-set mysteries.

Langton has written 17 murder mysteries with the same amateur detectives, Homer and Mary Kelly of Concord, MA. They've stumbled on crimes in Concord, Lincoln, Amherst, Boston and Nantucket, and as far afield as Monticello, Venice, Florence and Oxford.

Often the narratives have some literary or artistic or historical background or "overlay"- Henry Thoreau's *Walden*, the poetry of Emily Dickinson, the journals of Lewis and Clark, Handel's *Messiah*, the prints of Maurits Escher, the insect studies of Henri Fabre, the sermons of Martin Luther, the works of art in the Gardner Museum, Dante's *Divine Comedy*, Charles Darwin's *Origin of Species*, the mummies' plays of the Christmas Revels.

For more information, call (978)

## Film "Quilombo" at FSC

**EPA PRESS OFFICE**

**Fitchburg, Mass.** - Fitchburg State College's fall semester film series begins with the screening of "Quilombo" on Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. in the Hammond Building's Ellis White Lecture Hall.

The film series is part of CenterStage at Fitchburg State, which also presents performances, lectures and other events.

The film, by Carlos Diegues, is an historical saga -

that fuses folklore, political and dynamic storytelling. It features vibrant tropical colors and is set to the pulsing beat of Gilberto Gil's musical score. Quilombo is the name for the utopian societies that runaway slaves founded in the mountainous jungles.

Tickets are available at the door. Admission is \$5 for the general public and \$3 for students and seniors. For more information, call 978-665-3709 or 978-665-3347.



# Heart complications causes John Ritter's death

**KRISTINE MCCAFFREY**  
**FEATURES EDITOR**

Although he was best known for his role of Jack Tripper on the popular 70s sitcom *Three's Company*, John Ritter, is a part of television history. His death, this September 11, added one more reason to feel sadness on this unlucky day. At the young age of 54, Ritter, suffered from heart complications while on set of his newest sitcom *8 Simple Rules For Dating My Teenage Daughter*.

Ritter, who gave television audiences laughter and joy with his slap stick comedy, was well respected amongst his fellow actors, comedians and crew members. Lucile Ball once said that she had only yelled "cut" three times in her career due to her co-actor making her laugh; one of them was Ritter.

Ritter was also well known for his roles in *The Waltons*,



One of the most popular sitcoms of the 1970s, *Three's Company* was the first show on TV with unmarried, coed roommates. The cast included John Ritter, Suzanne Somers, Joyce DeWitt

<http://www.eonline.com/On/Holly/Greatest/Facts/threescompany.html>

Felicity, *Slingblade*, *North*, and Stephen King's *It* and even surprisingly even made an appearance on *The Dating Game* in 1967. Ritter even made an appearance with his first wife in an episode of *The Cosby Show*, 10 years before they were married.

Ritter leaves behind his second wife and four children (three of which were by his first wife) the youngest Stella, is just an infant. Audiences who grew up watching *Three's Company* can now share the show with their children with *Nick at Nite* reruns.

New generations were also fortunate enough to see his newest sitcom. *8 Simple Rules For Dating My Teenage Daughter* will be airing the last three episodes taped before his untimely death and will be continuing with the season. The *Hennessy Family* will be going on with the show and mourning the death of their "smother mother dad" in hopefully a comedic and thoughtful way.

For the man who we all wished would "come and knock on our door" we at *The Point* hope he is knocking on Heaven's door. RIP John Ritter.

## Fitchburg's Falcon Festival Weekend Sports

**ROBIN KANTER**  
**MANAGING EDITOR**

On October 4, 2003, the Women's Soccer team took on Massachusetts College down at Elliot Field. The girls came away with a victory against the college. This is the first MASCAC win since October 25, 1997.

It was a low scoring game with only one goal scored by FSC. Erin Kenney had a great game shutting out Massachusetts College. Kristen Hayward scored her fifth goal of the season. This win places the Women's Soccer team in first place in the MASCAC division. They are tied with Framingham State College.

The women's next game is away against New England College at 3:30. For the next home action, come down to Elliot Field on:

\* Saturday October 11, 2003

against Worcester State College at 1:00.

Good Luck to Women's Soccer! Men's team cannot find win

October 4, 2003 the Men's team faced Massachusetts College. The team was unable to pull a win from this game. They are now 0-5 and hoping for an upcoming win. Pinto had three saves in this game.

Massachusetts College went on to score two goals leaving the Falcons with another lose. The Falcons go on to take MASCAC rival Worcester State College on Saturday October 11, 2003 at Worcester State. The game begins at two. For home field action, come on down to Elliot Field on:

\* Monday October 13, 2003 against Salem State College at 1PM.

\* Saturday October 18, 2003 against Framingham State College at 11AM. College.

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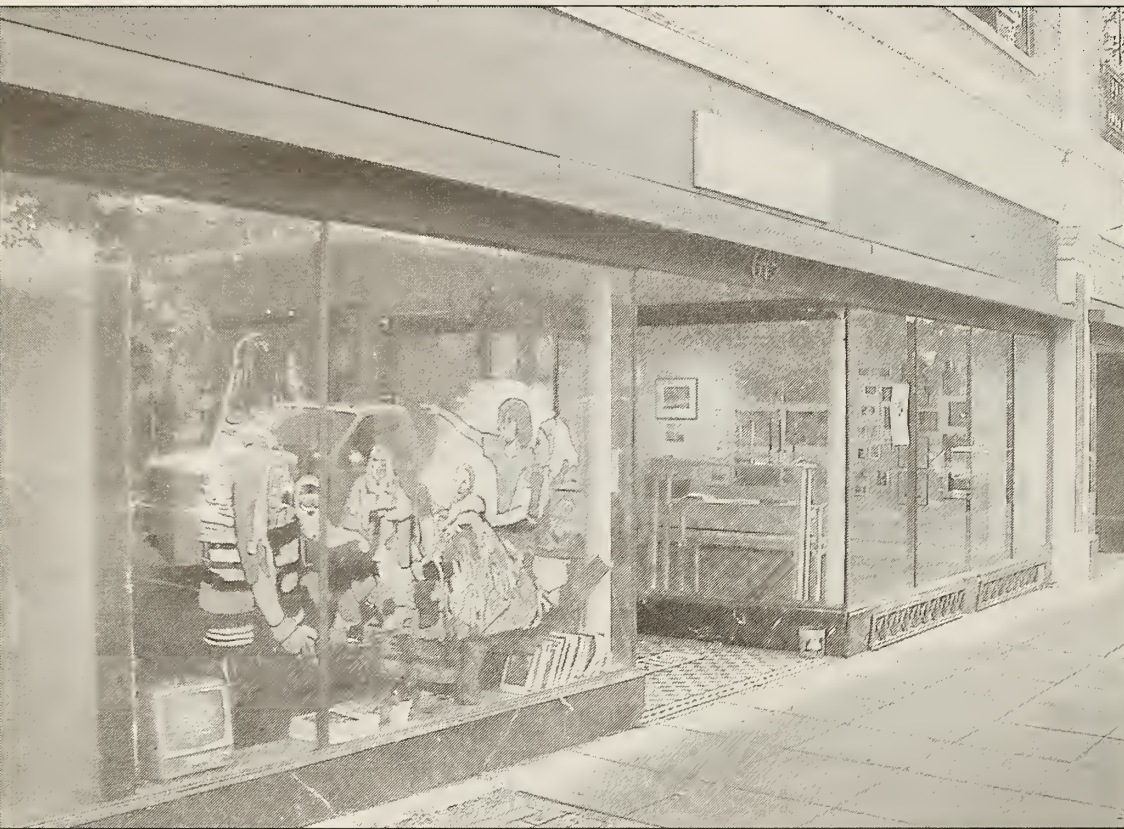
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# Making downtown artsy



The Free Space Gallery has only been open for five months, but has already seen hundreds of performers, artists and poets come through the front door. The storefront, located across from Fleet Bank on Main Street, was suppose to be temporary, but the outpouring of community support forced the founders to keep it open.

Photo by Orlando Claffey

## ORLANDO CLAFFEY STAFF REPORTER

On the far end of Main Street just before the Town Hall is the Fitchburg Free Space Gallery. The small, donation-based storefront was opened in April by five local art enthusiasts as a temporary home for poetry, music, film screenings and anything else that is community related.

"We all lived in the area and didn't think there was much to do, so we decided to make something to do," said Amy Borezo, one of the gallery's founders. "Fitchburg's Main Street is beautiful with great architecture and we felt it had a lot of potential for a successful gallery so we went to work."

Getting started wasn't easy and the group looked for support from the city and community.

"We went to the city's redevelopment committee and they seemed to like the idea," said Borezo. "With the help of the Fitchburg Cultural Alliance and Fitchburg Savings Bank we were able to find an empty storefront and get started."

The bank, who owned the property the gallery is in, donated the space to the group for a short time.

"The plan was to be open for six weeks," said Borezo, "but we got such a good reaction from the artists and people coming in that we decided to put in some of our own money and keep it going."

Since it opened, gallery has featured over 100 artists, musicians and poets showing, singing and reading their own work.

"We try to feature things that are a little outside the mainstream," said Stacy Mimnaugh, another gallery founder. "We look at this as an investment in the area. It's a place where people can go that isn't too far away."

Free Space not only shows local artists, but also sells artwork for under \$100, and has an extensive book collection and lending library with a range of topics to look through.

The gallery, located on 649 Main Street, is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. with special events at different times.

For more information, check out their website at [www.dovetailgroup.org](http://www.dovetailgroup.org) or call them at (978) 345-5410.

## FREE SPACE GALLERY

649 Main Street  
Fitchburg Massachusetts  
Thur, Fri, Sat 1-7 p.m.

FRIDAY, October 3rd: 8:00pm - LIVE MUSIC!

\$5 recommended donation

An Evening of Ambient Electronic Music and Modern Composition:

Embracing the Glass ([www.burningshirt.com/etg/etg.html](http://www.burningshirt.com/etg/etg.html))

Mindspawn ([www.mindspawn.com](http://www.mindspawn.com))

SATURDAY, October 4th: 8:00pm - LIVE MUSIC!

\$5 admission

The Ponys ([www.time-lagrecords.com](http://www.time-lagrecords.com))

Mittens ([www.mittensmusic.cjb.net](http://www.mittensmusic.cjb.net))

Raymond Morin ([www.raymondmorin.com/main.htm](http://www.raymondmorin.com/main.htm))

THURSDAY, October 9th: 7:00pm - OPEN MIC

Come back, sing, listen, dance maybe, play music.

FRIDAY, October 10th: 8:00pm - LIVE MUSIC!

\$5 admission

Seana Carmody

([www.kimcheerecords.com/bands/seanacarmody](http://www.kimcheerecords.com/bands/seanacarmody))

THURSDAY, October 16th: 7:00pm - OPEN MIC  
POETRY

If you haven't been to open mic poetry at the Freespace by this time, you should definitely come for this one

THURSDAY, October 23rd: 7:00pm - OPEN MIC

You coming or not? Because if you're not, how do you expect anyone else will?



Paintings, photographs and other forms of art hang on the galleries moveable walls. Local artists have displayed their work here, along with FSC faculty.

Photo by Orlando Claffey



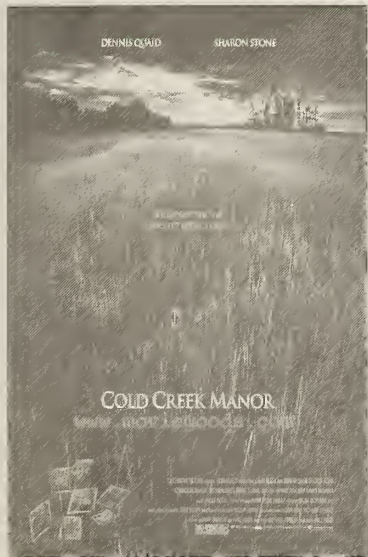
# Cold Creek current is shallow and weak

**KRISTINE MCCAFFREY**  
FEATURES EDITOR

Cold Creek Manor, starring Dennis Quaid, Sharon Stone, Stephen Dorff, Juliette Lewis and Christopher Plummer, may appear to audiences to be a seasonal spook flick; it is not.

The movie, whose trailer leads audiences to believe it is about a haunted manor, is really a tale about a crazy man (Dorff) who is trying to drive a family out of his old home. That's it. There's no who done it or any question as to who the crazy one might be. To Dorff's credit he does play the part well.

The movie does have a couple of startling moments and a replaces ghosts and typical haunted scenes with a scene using snakes. The



The original movie poster from the film Cold Creek Manor

<http://www.entertainbilia.com/movies/>

movie lacks in probability and practicality when Quaid and Stone sell their uptown, New York City, abode for a decrepit, junk filled house they see as a beautiful fix-er-upper.

Quaid, a historian, becomes obsessed with finding out about the family who lived there before him; turning his study into a giant bulletin board of photos, files and tools belonging to the family. No wonder the crazy and, coincidentally, just-out-of-prison former owner wants Quaid and his family out.

The cast which seems promising does not bring much to the table. Stone's character is weak and worn out. Christopher Plummer's character is easy to miss, Juliette Lewis should have thrown her script out, and Quaid is trying too hard to be the Harrison Ford rugged type, who stops at nothing to protect his family. Not a great movie, but not as bad as last week's movie; Cabin Fever.

## FSC Sponsors International Visitors Program

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Fitchburg, Mass.—In October, Fitchburg State College will begin its seventh year as a host organization for the Community Connections International Visitors Program.

An award of \$274,000 from the United States Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs will make it possible for 40 citizens from Russia, Ukraine, Kyrgyzstan, and the Republic of Georgia to participate in this professional development program.

The college's Community Connections program team arranges internship and site visits with volunteer companies and organizations of similar interest. In addition, it arranges housing with families who volunteer to open their homes to the participants. During the past six years over

172 participants from Russia, Ukraine and Georgia have taken part in these educational, cultural and recreational activities in the Fitchburg area.

The Community Connections program offers practical training opportunities in the U.S. for entrepreneurs, local government officials, legal professionals, non-governmental organization leaders and other professionals from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan. The goals of the program are to provide participants with professional training and exposure to the day-to-day functioning of a free market system, encourage public-private partnerships in Europe/Eurasia by including private sector and government participants, and create links between the U.S. and other regions of the world. Grant

funds are used to cover expenses such as airfare, per diem funding for participants during their U.S. stay, administrative expenses, and local transportation.

This year the college will host four groups, and is seeking the participation of host families and businesses with the following programs:

**Oct. 22 – Nov. 11:** Public Health Prof. from Donetsk, Ukraine.

**Jan. 21 – Feb. 17:** Entrepreneurs from Kyrgyzstan.

**April 7–April 27:** Higher education administrators from the Republic of Georgia.

**June 16–July 6:** Business Management for Media Prof. from Voronezh, Russia

If you are interested in hosting a participant, coordinating a site visit, or have questions about the program, contact Elba Guzman at the Fitchburg State Grant Center (978-665-3368)

## Mariah dazzles Manchester

**STEPHANIE ST. JEAN**  
COPY EDITOR

On Tuesday September 23rd Mariah Carey performed at Verizon Wireless Arena. This was her last stop on her United States tour. Mariah thrilled and dazzled her audience with old favorites such as "Vision of Love," and "Hero."

She also performed songs from her latest album "Charmbracelet." Those songs included "Clown," "Through the Rain," and "Saving Grace."

With each new song, and new wardrobe, she stole her audience's hearts. Many sung along with well-known songs, and enjoyed the dancers on the stage. One of the most pivotal moments was her song "Saving Grace."

When Mariah got up on stage to sing this song the crowd turned to a hush. Her die-hard fans knew this song signified all the hard times in her life that she has gotten through. On the stage there was a big screen that showed a slide show of pictures of her as a young girl, and an older woman.

It showed snap shots of magazine articles announcing her comeback after her breakdown two years ago. It



Mariah Carey is the Artist of the Month. She was born on March 27, 1970 near Long Island, NY

[http://www.hispaniconline.com/a&e/a\\_of\\_m/02\\_jan\\_mariah.html](http://www.hispaniconline.com/a&e/a_of_m/02_jan_mariah.html)

also showed headlines from the articles trying to bring her down. It was absolutely the best part of the concert.

Mariah ended the concert with two of her most well known songs, "Vision of Love," and "Hero." This is the part where everyone joined in to sing along.

There aren't to many people out there who haven't at least heard of these songs. "Vision of Love" was her very first song she introduced her into the music world 13 years ago.

Mariah is continuing her tour worldwide now and she'll be done and back home in the states come December.

Interested in joining The Point?

Feel free to come to any of our meetings

every Thursday at 3:30 pm.

Room BC17 (basement of Hammond)



## Professor Profile Series Edition One

## John Chetro-Szivos

*Communications Media Department*

### TIM CARD STAFF REPORTER

You may have heard about students "saving Lassie," experiencing "consummatory moments," or saying, "Certainty is the bane of Western existence." The chances are good that you've heard these things from the students of John Chetro-Szivos. Dr. Szivos has been a professor in the Fitchburg State Communications/Media Department for four years now.

He is currently teaching Human Communication, Organizational Communication and Introduction to Speech Communication, a distance-learning course, though he teaches other courses, as well. John teaches both graduate and undergraduate classes. He is well known for his deep philosophical investigations, his subtle sense of humor and the ready smile that announces his deep inner happiness to the world.

Some of the thinkers who have influenced Dr. Szivos the most are the American Pragmatists John Dewey, William James and George Herbert Mead. He feels that the distinction between communications theory and practice is artificial, and that both are needed for a person to become a successful professional. One of the things John likes about the Fitchburg State is that students come out of here with a solid theoretical foundation and marketable professional skills.

In his classes, John often warns students against thinking in terms of absolutes. He feels that people in this part of the world often get trapped with either-or concepts, which make it harder

for us to correct persistent problems. Sometimes, people get trapped in URPs, unwanted repetitive patterns. This is why so many people get into the same arguments over and over again. People must make a deliberate decision, to stop the URP from recurring.

The level of camaraderie in the Communications department is readily noticeable. John and several other professors are part of a blues band, called Dr. B and the Homemade Band. They performed at Visions last year, and you can see them on October 11th, from 12 to 4 pm, at the Fitchburg Riverfront Park.

The other departments here have also been very accessible, which helped Dr. Szivos enhance his knowledge with fresh perspectives from other disciplines. Newer faculty members have an opportunity to get involved and contribute here, which isn't always the case at other colleges.

John is very impressed with his Fitchburg State Students, "The students here are just amazing people, they're hard working and dedicated and they have a real humanness I enjoy." He suggests that students develop a healthy curiosity about things they are interested in, learn how to explore these things and live in more harmony with the world around them.

He points out that there are moments of beauty in all of the things you do. College is a special time in life, during which you can lay a good foundation for the rest of your life. John believes that at some level, his Fitchburg



John Chetro-Szivos, a well-known face around the Communications Media Department, is one of the students favorite teachers

Photo by Amanda Parke

State students already understand this, even if they don't know that they know it.

Dr Szivos has a variety of special activities that allow students to apply the things that they learn in their readings and discussions. After the activity, he encourages students to reflect on their experiences and to record their thoughts in the journal.

A favorite activity for many of John's students is the "save Lassie" group communications exercise. An outdoor area is designated as lava, which will instantly kill anyone who touches it. In the middle of this simulated lava is a rock, with a small plastic Lassie on top of it. The students have a twenty-foot rope and a tree, and they must find a way to remove Lassie safely from the rock, in order to save the world.

The students must perform the task within a set time limit. After the exercise, the students take time to reflect upon the way that they interacted as a group, to see if

there are ways they could have interacted more effectively.

Outside of the classroom, Dr Szivos enjoys playing music with his friends in the department, gardening, and hiking at beautiful places, like Barre Dam. He also loves reading, movies and watching baseball games. Dr Szivos often reads a book over and over again, because he can gain something new with each reading.

He advises his students to do the same, "When a book speaks to you, go back and read it several times." This college is a big part of John's life, and he feels that his colleagues and students make his life richer than he ever imagined it could be.

A concept that John is particularly interested in is the idea of consummatory moments. It was first proposed by John Dewey, and it was an important part of Dr Szivos' doctorate dissertation.

Consummatory moments are times when everything seems to come together in a

beautiful way, helping us to see new possibilities and new ways to live our lives. We can find these moments not only when we have exceptional experiences, but also in our everyday lives. They can be shared among multiple people, or even by the members of an organization.

An outside observer may not recognize the beauty of a simple act of everyday living. When a couple gets up in the morning and shares a cup of coffee, it can be a profound expression of trust, respect and love. Later in their lives, they can look back and see the significance of these small communications that make life beautiful.

On October 28th, at 7:30 pm, John Chetro Szivos will be presenting the Harrod Lecture, at the Kent Recital Hall. The title of the lecture will be 'The Artistic Dimensions of Everyday Interactions: Consummatory Moments, Moral Order and Living a Life of Possibility.'

John was inspired to do this lecture by a Museum of Fine Arts exhibit, 'Impressions in Light,' which featured exquisitely beautiful paintings of people doing everyday things. Paintings like this speak to us in deep ways. John came to understand that when you live in accord with your morals, you can recognize the aesthetics in everything around us. To experience the beauty of these little moments makes life worth living. Anyone who wants to learn how to live a richer, more fulfilling life is encouraged to attend.



# FSC Campus Center Spotlights

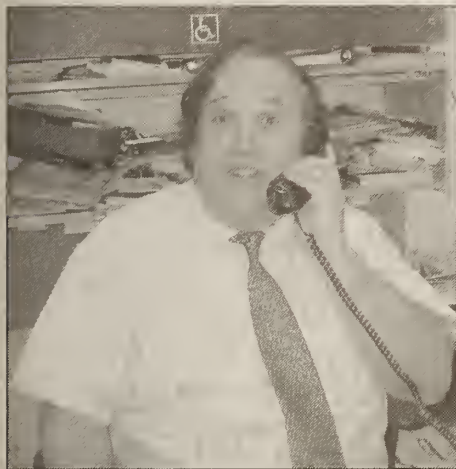


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## Tullio Nieman

### Associate Dean of Student Affairs

#### Director of Student Activities

Tullio Nieman has worked for FSC community for 8 years. In 1998, he and his college, Cindy Flynn wrote the grant for the Volunteer Center to be established.

#### Contact Information:

Email: tullio@fsc.edu

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If you are interested with any of the following Tullio can help you out! He is....

- ~ advisor of Programs Committee
- ~ advises SGA and all class advisors
- ~ Dance Club
- ~ Lasso
- ~ Oversees the Student Organization Committee
- ~ Advising...how to get started with
  - \* Contracts
  - \* Agents
  - \* Senate
- ~ Oversees the Campus Center Advisory Board (CCAB)
- ~ Budgets for SGA and all clubs and organizations
- ~ Budgets of the Campus Center
- ~ Orientation Program
- ~ Ropes Course
- ~ Game Room (Ground Zero)
- ~ Supervises the Hammond Building
- ~ FAT trips

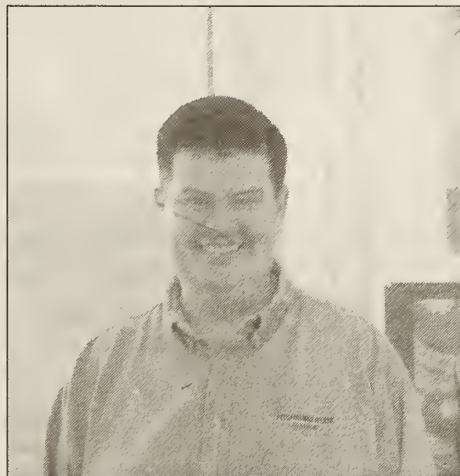


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## Shane Franzen

### Tullio's Associate of the Volunteer Center

Shane Franzen was a graduate assistant at FSC from 1996-1998. He is also a wonderful artist. His main focus on campus is to supervise student activities and focus on leadership.

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If you are interested with any of the following Shane can help you out! He is....

- ~ In charge of the Greek Organizations (ΦΣΣ, ΣΣΣ, ΣΠ, ΣΤΠ)
- ~ Supervisor of the Building Managers
- ~ Hammond Art Gallery
- ~ AID's quilt
- ~ Underground Pub
- ~ Overall conditions of the Hammond Building
- ~ Party Planning for clubs and organizations
- ~ Leadership Development
- ~ Advises Student Organizations



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## Cindy Flynn

### Coordinator of Volunteer Efforts

Cindy oversees the operation of the Volunteer Center. She is married to the former Vice President and money advancement of FSC.

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If you are interested with any of the following Cindy can help you out! She is....

- ~ Special Holiday Events
- ~ Campus Center Shuttle vans
- ~ ASB (Alternative Spring Break)
- ~ Information desk
- ~ 1 day conferences/events
- ~ Bookkeeping for the office
- ~ Group volunteer events (Community Service Projects)



Photo by Amanda Parke

## Christina McCormack

### Reservation Assistant

Christina used to work at FSC's Volunteer Center as a student building manager. She was an RA who also worked as an office assistant before being hired here at FSC.

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If you are interested with any of the following Christina can help you out! She is....

- ~ In charge of coordinating all non-academic events on campus
- ~ In charge of the student office assistants
- ~ ESS (Event Services Staff) helps coordinate setups for programs
- ~ Reserving tables for events
- ~ Social calendar web
- ~ Ahead of Student Employment (hired/fired/training)



# Fitchburg State College 24 hour Police Log 10.1.03-10.6.03

## Wednesday, October 1, 2003

**12:05 am - Russell Towers**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Possible drug violation, Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**12:16 am - TownHouse Complex**  
ANIMAL COMPLAINT-Report of a skunk tearing trash bags left under the stairs

**5:25 am - Civic Center lot**  
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY-Campus Police are investigating

**7:50 am - North St. #2 lot**  
MOTOR VEHICLE TOWED- 1 vehicle for illegal parking

**9:28 am - Percival**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Emergency message delivered to student

**1:55 pm - McKay**  
TRAFFIC ASSIGNMENT-Assisting with McKay School traffic

**5:35 pm - Recreation Center**  
ANIMAL COMPLAINT-Report of dog tearing bags of trash left outside

**6:15 pm - Station**  
MEDICAL CALL-FSC Rescue dispatched to respond

**7:32 pm - McKay**  
MONEY ESCORT-Provided to Chartwells

**8:32 pm - North St.**  
ASSIST OTHER POLICE-Assisting Fitchburg Police attempt to locate missing child, same was located and returned to relative

**8:40 pm - McKay lower rear lot**  
DAMAGE

**8:55 pm - Herlihy Hall**  
FIRE ALARM-Campus Police and Fitchburg Fire dispatched

**11:59 pm - Campus Parking lots**  
PARKING VIOLATIONS-6 tickets, 2 warnings issued for the day

## Thursday, October 2, 2003

**10:35 am - Mara Village**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Possible drug violation, Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**2:15 am - Russell**  
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**2:28 am - Russell**  
NOISE COMPLAINT-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**7:50 am - North St. #2 lot**  
MOTOR VEHICLE TOWED- 1 vehicle for illegal parking

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**8:22 am - Lower Cedar lot**  
MOTOR VEHICLE TOWED- 1 vehicle for illegal parking

**8:50 am - Highland Ave.**  
LARCENY-Crosswalk cone taken

**9:08 am - Recreation Center**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Unwanted guest, Campus Police dispatched

**9:15 am - Recreation Center**  
DISPERSAL-Individual causing a disturbance

**10:30 am - Highland Ave.**  
ASSIST OTHER POLICE-Assisting Fitchburg Police with parking complaint

**10:45 am - Percival**  
EMERGENCY CALL BOX ACTIVATION-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**12:05 pm - Lower Weston lot**  
MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATION-Unregistered motor vehicle

**1:20 pm - Campus**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Possible larceny of lost property

**3:15 pm - Hammond**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Non-student disturbing, Campus Police dispatched

**4:00 pm - Aubuchon**  
FIRE ALARM-Campus Police and Fitchburg Fire dispatched

**5:10 pm - Russell**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Parental concern over past incident, Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**7:10 pm - Ross St. lot**  
NOISE COMPLAINT-Horn constantly blowing, Campus Police dispatched to investigate, horn disconnected

**7:46 pm - McKay**  
AMBULANCE CALL-Campus Police and Patriot Ambulance dispatched

**10:00 pm - TownHouse Complex**  
NOISE COMPLAINT-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**11:59 pm - Campus Parking lots**  
PARKING VIOLATIONS- 27 tickets, 2 warnings issued for the day

## Friday, October 3, 2003

**12:20 am - Highland Ave.**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Student disturbing, Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**1:25 am - Russell**  
DAMAGE

**1:31 am - Sanders lot**  
ASSIST OTHER POLICE-Assisted Fitchburg Police at location

**1:35 am - Aubuchon**  
NOISE COMPLAINT-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**3:04 am - Aubuchon**  
FIRE ALARM-Campus Police and Fitchburg Fire dispatched

**8:20 am - Condike lot**  
DISPERSAL-Skateboarders

**3:40 pm - Thompson**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Report of individual possibly trapped in elevator, Campus Police dispatched

**3:50 - Hammond**  
UTTERING/LARCENY

**3:52 pm - North and Pearl**  
ASSIST OTHER POLICE-Assisting Fitchburg Police at scene of motor vehicle / pedestrian accident

**7:30 pm - Campus Area**  
TRAFFIC ASSIGNMENT(S)- Officers along with Fitchburg Police directing traffic for Parade and Fireworks display

**8:21 pm - North St./John Fitch**  
MEDICAL CALL-Campus Police dispatched

**11:05 - Herlihy**  
AMBULANCE CALL-Campus Police, FSC Rescue and Patriot Ambulance dispatched

## Saturday, October 4, 2003

**12:26 am - Aubuchon**  
FIRE ALARM-Campus Police and Fitchburg Fire dispatched

**12:10 am - North St. #1 lot**  
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**3:20 am - Russell**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE- Health & Safety check requested by parent, Campus Police dispatched

**3:30 am - Russell**  
MEDICAL CALL-Campus Police dispatched

**5:45 am - Civic Center lot**  
LARCENY

**8:10 am - Mara Village lot**  
DISPERSAL-Individual in dumpster

**9:20 am - Miller lot**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Parking complaint, Campus Police dispatched

**8:20 pm - Recreation center**  
INTRUSION ALARM-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**11:05 pm - Aubuchon**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Sulfur odor in building, Campus Police and Fitchburg Fire dispatched to investigate

## Sunday, October 5, 2003

**12:35 am - Aubuchon**  
MEDICAL CALL-Campus Police dispatched

**1:40 am - Aubuchon**  
FIRE ALARM-Campus Police and Fitchburg Fire dispatched

**2:10 am - Aubuchon**  
AMBULANCE CALL-Campus Police and Patriot Ambulance dispatched

**2:07 am - Aubuchon**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Possible medical, Campus Police dispatched

**2:15 am - Aubuchon**  
PROTECTIVE CUSTODY- One male individual taken into custody due to intoxication

**11:10 am - 107 Myrtle Ave.**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Violation of Good Neighbor Policy

**4:20 pm - Lower Cedar lot**  
DAMAGE

**7:20 pm - Recreation Center(outside)**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Report of local youths disturbing, Campus Police dispatched

**7:22 pm - Mara Village**  
THREATENING

## Monday, October 6, 2003

**12:00 am - Aubuchon**  
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**7:50 am - McKay**  
LARCENY-Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**10:58 - North St. #2 lot**  
MOTOR VEHICLE(S) TOWED- 2 vehicles for illegal parking

**10:10 pm - Aubuchon**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Possible drug violation, Campus Police dispatched to investigate

**11:30 pm - Campus**  
DISTURBANCE-Report of large crowds yelling and creating a disturbance after Red Sox win and gathering in the streets, Campus Police, Fitchburg Police, Lunenburg Police, Leominster Police and State Police dispatched.

**11:55 pm - TownHouse Complex**  
REQUEST FOR POLICE-Possible medical, Campus Police dispatched

**11:59 pm - Campus Parking lots**  
PARKING VIOLATIONS-11 tickets issued for the day



# Weekly Horoscopes <http://www.astrology-online.com/horo.htm>

## ARIES (Mar. 21- April 20)

You need to concentrate on your business ventures more than on your relationship this week. Don't let individuals with wild schemes talk you into a financial deal that is not likely to be successful. Your partner's a little jumpy. Your added discipline will help you complete the impossible at work.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Monday \*

## TAURUS (Apr. 21- may 21)

You will be able to talk about emotional problems with your partner. Your ability to be practical in business will help. You should look into making some physical changes, such as new hair color or toning up your body. Red tape could be impossible to clear up this week.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday \*

## GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

Financial limitations may add to your depression.

Problems with females you live or work with will try your patience and cause temper flare ups. Don't forget family obligations. This will not be the day to start new business ventures or make drastic changes in your career.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday \*

## CANCER (June 22-July 22)

Don't rely on others to handle the workload. Try not to discuss important matters with colleagues. Relationships may be hard to handle. You are best to keep hard feelings to yourself.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Friday \*

## LEO (July 23-Aug 22)

Don't ignore any emotional issues that could be causing problems. You can surprise members of your family, which in turn will bring you a pat on the back. Your communication skills are at an all-time high. You will meet a person who may turn out to be more than just a friend.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Monday \*

## VIRGO (Aug. 23 -Sept. 23)

Not everyone will be pleased with your plans. Relatives may play an important role in your social activities. You should be putting your cash into long-term investments like real estate. Try to communicate if you wish to help.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday \*

## LIBRA (Sept. 24 -Oct. 23)

You are likely to reveal information unintentionally. Don't take your frustrations out on loved ones. You may find that others do not do things the way you want; however, if the job gets done, let it pass. Your boss may be pushy.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Monday \*

## SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

Be sure to organize events that will keep the children busy. Your emotions are fluctuating, so be careful not to say things you'll regret. Don't let your personal problems interfere with your professional responsibilities. Observations will be far more productive.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Saturday \*

## SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 -Dec. 21)

You should get out and meet some of those clients that you only speak to on the phone. You're likely to encounter new partners if you take short trips. Do things with your children and avoid situations that make you feel as if you've neglected the ones you love. Don't let your emotions interfere with completing your chores.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Saturday \*

## CAPRICORN (Dec 22.- Jan. 20)

Try more consideration if you and your mate just can't come to terms. You need a break from your daily routine. You must consider mate. Romance will be on your mind, and chances for ideal connections are in the works.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Monday \*

## AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 -Feb. 19)

Unexpected visitors will be a welcome surprise. Expect your workload to be heavy. Put your emotional energy into passion not anxiety. Make changes around your house and plan to do some entertaining.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Sunday \*

## PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)

Your self confidence will attract members of the opposite sex. Visitors may be likely to drop by. Let go of the past in order to progress. You may find yourself in an uncomfortable situation if you have overloaded your plate unintentionally.

\* Your lucky day this week will be Thursday \*

# Fun crossword of the week

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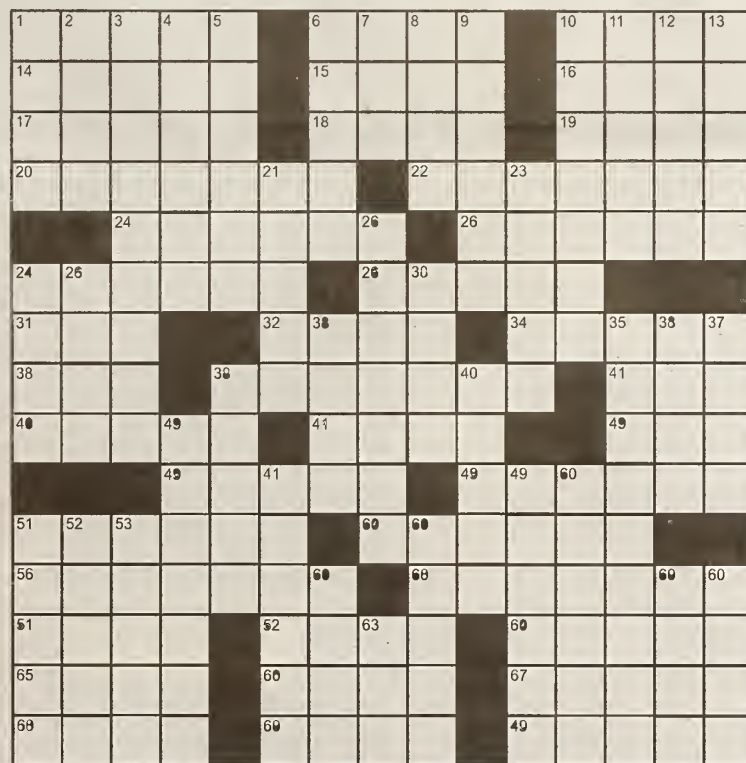
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- 26 Model of the solar system
- 27 Small bus
- 29 Computer printer maker
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- 32 Of the dawn
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- 38 Used to be
- 39 Like an encyclopedia
- 41 Sick
- 42 Kind of shooting
- 44 Chinese: Prefix
- 45 Business degree
- 46 "Cosi fan \_\_\_\_\_"
- 48 Asian boat
- 51 Comply
- 54 Metrical foot
- 56 Amount of fun
- 58 January birthstones
- 61 Sign of things to come
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Helen of Troy

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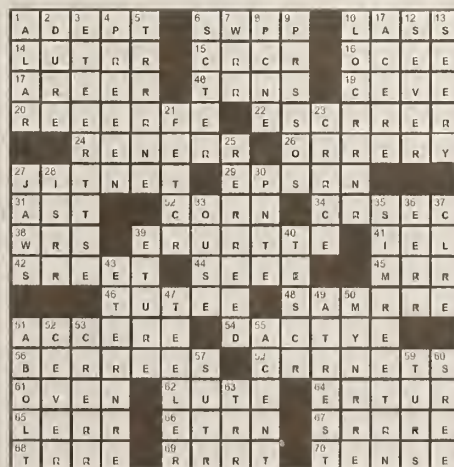
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- 6 "Mars Attacks!" genre
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- 8 Adolescent affliction
- 9 John Dos \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Town of Lake Maggiore
- 11 Wide open
- 12 Sunder
- 13 Rundown
- 21 Lobby
- 23 "Time In A Bottle" singer
- 25 Prepared
- 27 Peter Benchley thriller
- 28 "Out of Africa" author Dinesen
- 30 Nabokov novel
- 33 Depose
- 35 Fool
- 36 Where Napoleon was solo
- 37 Entended family
- 39 Paino piece
- 40 Callas role
- 43 Enduring



<http://thinks.com>

- 47 Penn pal?
- 49 Quiescent
- 50 "Nobody Knows \_\_\_\_\_" (James Baldwin title)
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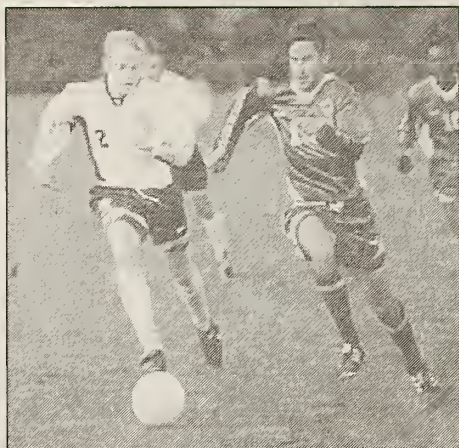


# The budget problem is a threat to the sports program at FSC

**DANIEL SANABRIA**  
**STAFF REPORTER**

Fitchburg's Men's Soccer team dodged the budget cuts. The soccer program was scheduled to be cut this season. The budget problems have forced the suspension of a few of our sports including indoor track, volleyball, and almost men's soccer this year at FSC. Soccer coach Helder Botto said "the program was cut, and later reinstated because of fundraising. I was told if I get money we can play."

The coaches, players, and parents successfully raised the money. Peter Mcguane of the FSC soccer team said, "I received a call from my coach this summer telling me the soccer program had been cut." Coach Botto also told him the team could help prevent the cutback if Mcguane and fellow teammates could fundraise \$5000. Mcguane added "all of the households of the players were



**The Men's soccer team worked very hard to fund-raise enough money to keep their team active on FSC campus**

Courtesy Photo

mailed a letter asking for donations."

According to Botto, the fundraising option was the result of a prospect parent taking the initiative to push a meeting

with the athletic director. He also stated, "Although reinstated the program has suffered." The amount of games the team will play went from 18 to 11. Also, this summer the incoming roster was projected at 42 players and now the team only has 21 players. In order for there to be a team, the coaches also have to forfeit their salaries (which has caused the other coach to take a job at a local high school). He is now unable to coach the FSC soccer team.

When I asked coach Botto about working without pay he said, "It sometimes feels great, at other times not so great, it depends on the support I get from the players and them practicing well. The parents have also been very supportive." Botto stated, "The team has less new things, but I have personally donated a few items along with some of the players." Coach Botto went on to say, "the reduced

budget has also effected recruiting, which is a reflection of the FSC program. Recruits wanting to come in have to live with the fear of the program being cut." He then stated, "I hope next year the reputation of the soccer team improves in order to be more like other sports. I feel the program can only improve if it has a chance."

On a happier note, coach Botto also released that him and his wife are expecting a child. "I hope my absence will be covered by the teams other coach." (A Nigerian gold medalist who is also volunteering his time for the team). The team is still eligible for post season championship play. Be sure to stop by and support the men's soccer team, and volunteer through the recreation department to help out at games. The team's upcoming home game is on Nov. 13 against Salem State at 7 pm.

## Fitchburg Falcons Miss by Three

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The Fitchburg State College Falcons took on the Bridgewater State College Bears on October 4, 2003 down at Elliot Field. The stands were packed with enthused fans and the game was ready to start.

Falcons came away with a touchdown pass within the first two minutes of the game. Carmy Cesaire took a 66-yard pass from Corey Hetherman, the Falcons quarterback. Trevor Smith came in and kicked the conversion point. The Falcons now led seven to zero. Bridgewater did not sit still. John Sullivan threw a 40-yard pass to Mark Hull to give the Bears 6 points. Jesse Mead came in and kicked the conversion point. The score now tied at seven. The Bears did not stop there.

Bridgewater's Andy Brems scored with three minutes left in the half. Mead came in again and kicked the conversion for the Bears. The falcons were now down by seven. Falcons Brian Milleisen made a three yard run and scored for the Falcons. Smith worked his magic and hit the conversion. The game was tied again at the end of the first quarter.

Smith opened up the second quarter scoring a 34-yard field goal. The Falcons were now up by three. 17-14 was the score. Paul Bryant for Bridgewater ran the ball for a touchdown. Falcon's defense was on the prowl and blocked Mead's kick. The Falcons were now down by three.

Milleisen came in and took care of business by running a four yard pass in for the touchdown. Smith came in with the conversion point and was successful. Falcons were now on top 24 to 20 at the end of the first half.

Third quarter started with a bang and Bridgewater took the early lead. Hull took a 46-yard pass from quarterback Bryant and scored a touchdown. Brems was on target and rushed the ball for a two-point conversion. Bridgewater now up by four, giving them the lead. Bridgewater stayed on top when Bryant made a 59 yard run past the Falcon defense. Mead came in for the kick but was too wide. Bridgewater was now up by 10.

Hetherman for the Falcons ran the ball for a touchdown and Smith came in for the conversion. Smith who was on top of his game kicked successfully.

Falcons now dragging behind by three. Brems scored again for Bridgewater with a 1:27 left in the quarter. Mead kicked again, giving the Bears a bigger lead. Falcons still down by 10.

FSC worked hard in the fourth quarter but were unfortunately able to stay on top. Milleisen scored minutes into the fourth quarter. Smith kicked the conversion point and FSC was now down by three. Brems stayed on top for Bridgewater and scored again after a 37-yard run. Mead kicked the extra point and FSC was still down by 10. Bridgewater would not score again in the game but FSC was unable to surpass their score. Hetherman made a 15-yard pass to Justin Sleeper who ran the ball in for a touchdown. Smith kicked the conversion.

The Falcons were not fortunate to score again in the game. The final score was Bridgewater 48 and the Falcons 45. It was a great game and the FSC defense worked their hardest. With only five games left in the season, two of those are home. Come on down to Elliot Field October 18, 2003 where the Falcons take on the Maine Maritime at 1PM. Good Luck Falcons!

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The next three games for the Men's Soccer team will all be MASCAC action. We wish the team good luck and hope they bring home some wins.

**Salem State Takes Field Hockey Win**

On October 4, 2003, Fitchburg State Field Hockey took on Salem State College. The Women were unable to pull off a win. The team is 3-4 and continues to fight for their wins.

The women lost three to zero. This game was for the Little East Conference. Christin Charron had 14 saves in this game and Corinne St. George made an awesome defensive save in the game.

Women's Field Hockey has four home games coming up! Be sure to stop down at Elliot Field and cheer on the Falcons!

\* Thursday October 19, 2003 against

Endicott at 4PM

\* Monday October 13, 2003 against Salve Regina at 4PM

\* Thursday October 16, 2003 against Regis at 4PM

\* Saturday October 18, 2003 against Bridgewater State College at 11AM